



FINANCIAL AID

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS

Roberts Wesleyan College gives financial encouragement to promising and eligible students insofar as scholarship and other student aid funds permit. Validated financial need is considered as well as scholarship, service, leadership, and personal interests and abilities. Each family should expect to make every reasonable financial adjustment to provide as much support toward college expenses as possible.

In general, students must be enrolled as a traditional undergraduate student at Roberts full-time (12 hours per semester) to receive financial aid. State and federal grants, as well as student loans, may be available for less than full-time enrollment. Students must meet the eligibility requirements of the specific programs from which they receive assistance. Such requirements include maintaining satisfactory academic progress and program pursuit toward a degree, maintaining a minimum grade point average, having financial need, and other specific conditions of federal, state, or College regulations.

Please refer to the College Catalog for more detailed information at www.roberts.edu/catalog.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Students seeking assistance through federal student loans, grants, and college work study eligibility must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Use Title IV Institution Code 002805. Following the first year of application, a Renewal Application sent directly to the student may be filed as an alternative.

The Office of Financial Aid will prepare an official financial aid package for students accepted to, or registered at, Roberts Wesleyan. Students should acknowledge acceptance of the Financial Aid Award Letter to the Office of Financial Aid. Any questions regarding the financial aid application process or the assistance awarded may be directed to the Office of Financial Aid, at 585.594.6150 or finaid@roberts.edu.

COLLEGE-FUNDED AID

Eligibility requirements for Roberts grants include acceptable academic standing, satisfactory academic progress, and favorable record of campus citizenship and activity. Recipients must be full-time students for the fall and spring semesters at Roberts.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

A. Roberts Merit Scholarship

The Roberts Merit Scholarship awards full-tuition scholarships (minus other RWC, federal and state grants, and scholarships) to National Merit Scholar Finalists and half-tuition to Semi-finalists. The award is renewed annually, provided the student maintains a 3.40 cumulative grade point average. The following criteria apply to first-time freshman applicants:

- National Merit Scholar Finalist for full-tuition
- National Merit Scholar Semi-finalist for half-tuition
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

B. Benjamin Titus Roberts Scholarship

Full-tuition Scholarship (minus other Roberts, federal and state grants, and scholarships)

The Benjamin Titus Roberts Scholarship was established to honor the founder of the College. The College awards three scholarships yearly. The recipients receive full-tuition annually. The award is renewed annually, provided the student maintains a 3.40 cumulative grade point average. The following criteria apply to first-time applicants:

Freshmen:

- participation in an Invitational Scholarship Competition*
- minimum 1,250 SAT (math and verbal combined) or 28 ACT
- rank in the top 15% of high school graduating class
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

New Canadian Students:

- participation in an Invitational Scholarship Competition*
- 85% overall average
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

*Students must participate in the Invitational Scholarship Competition, but if not chosen to receive a Benjamin Titus Roberts Scholarship, will receive either the Trustee Scholarship or the Presidential Scholarship.

C. Trustee Scholarship - \$11,000/yr.

The Trustee Scholarship awards \$11,000 per year to recipients. The scholarship is renewed annually, provided the student maintains at least a 3.30 cumulative grade point average. The following criteria apply to first-time applicants:



Freshmen:

- participation in an Invitational Scholarship Competition*
- minimum 1,250 SAT (math and verbal combined) or 28 ACT
- rank in the top 15% of high school graduating class
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

New Canadian Students:

- participation in an Invitational Scholarship Competition*
- 85% overall average
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

*Students must participate in the Invitational Scholarship Competition. This award will be given to the top half of each group who are not chosen for the Benjamin Titus Roberts Scholarship

D. Presidential Scholarship - \$8,000/yr.

The Presidential Scholarship awards \$8,000 per year to recipients. The scholarship is renewed annually, provided the student maintains a 3.30 cumulative grade point average. The following criteria apply to first-time applicants:

Freshmen:

- participation in an Invitational Scholarship Competition*
- minimum 1,250 SAT (math and verbal combined) or 28 ACT
- rank in the top 15% of high school graduating class
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

New Canadian Students:

- participation in an Invitational Scholarship Competition*
- 85% overall average
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

*Students must participate in the Invitational Scholarship Competition, but if not chosen to receive a Benjamin Titus Roberts Scholarship or Trustee Scholarship, will receive this award.

Transfer Students:

- membership in Phi Theta Kappa or cumulative grade point average of 3.60 - 4.0 at most recent college attended full-time
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

E. Dean's Scholarship - \$6,000/yr.

The Dean's Scholarship awards \$6,000 per year to recipients. The scholarship is renewed annually, provided the student maintains at least a 3.20 cumulative grade point average. The following criteria apply to first-time applicants:

Freshmen:

- minimum 1,150 SAT (math and verbal combined) or 25 ACT
- rank in the top 20% of high school graduating class
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

New Canadian Students:

- 80% overall average
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

Transfer Students:

- cumulative grade point average of 3.30 - 3.59 at most recent college attended full-time
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

F. Valedictorian Scholarship - \$1,000/yr.

The Valedictorian Scholarship is an automatic \$1,000 per year in addition to any other academic awards given. Roberts Wesleyan reserves the right to make changes to this award in cases where the graduating class is less than 50. The scholarship is renewed annually, provided the student maintains at least a 3.20 cumulative grade point average. The following criteria apply to first-time, full-time, freshman applicants:

- Valedictorian status
- character consistent with the goals of Roberts Wesleyan College

Deadlines:

SAT and/or ACT scores must be received by **March 1** to be considered for academic scholarship institutional aid.

Note: Renewal of an academic scholarship is based on the cumulative grade point average calculated at the end of the fall semester. Renewal of an academic scholarship for juniors who entered as freshmen is based on the cumulative grade point average calculated at the end of the fall semester of their sophomore year.

ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Achievement Scholarships are available to students who demonstrate academic excellence and significant involvement in church, school and/or community activities. New students receive consideration based on information presented in their admission application, including recommendations. The amount of the

scholarships vary. Achievement Scholarships cannot be combined with other Roberts Wesleyan College academic scholarships.

ATHLETIC, ART, AND MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Awards are made each year to talented students who show promise in athletics, art, and music. To be eligible, students must have satisfactory academic records and unusual proficiency in one or more of the above fields. Auditions, personal interviews, and recommendations of program coordinators are required of the applicants. These awards are renewable based on satisfactory achievement and good standing within the College.

CANADIAN GRANT - RWC

Canadian students will be given a Canadian Grant based on the exchange rate as of March 1st (not to exceed 35%) on their Tuition, Room, and Board costs (does not include fees, books, or other costs) minus any and all Roberts Wesleyan College grants or scholarships, NYS TAP, and all US Federal aid (excluding work study). All student account payments must be in US dollars. The College reserves the right to change this policy at any time without notice.

CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES DEPENDENT GRANT

This grant is available to students with financial need who are legally dependent children of parents employed in full-time Christian service. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

FREE METHODIST SCHOLARSHIP

Students who are active members in a Free Methodist Church are eligible for a \$2,000 scholarship.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Full-time international students (except Canadian) who have financial need and who show achievement in academic or extracurricular activities may qualify for up to \$2,000 per year.

OUT-OF-STATE GRANT

This grant is limited to United States citizens or permanent residents whose legal address is outside of New York State. This grant is based on unmet need after all grants, scholarships, and a self-help index have been deducted.

VETERANS ASSISTANCE

Roberts participates in Veterans Assistance, including the *Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program*. For more information regarding educational programs for veterans, please visit www.GIBILL.va.gov.

PARTNERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP*

Roberts Wesleyan College will match 50% to 100% of scholarship assistance provided by an enrolling student's home church, up to a level of \$1,000. The level of match will be determined by the Director of Financial Aid upon review of documented financial need and other resources awarded. *See Catalog for further details.

ROBERTS WESLEYAN GRANT

This grant is awarded to students who exemplify desired personal attributes and qualities and/or have an exceptional financial need. This award is not automatically renewed.

FINANCIAL FACTS (2009-2010)

Costs:

Tuition	\$22,580
Room	\$ 5,816
Board (20 meal)	\$ 2,704
Fees	\$ 866
New Student Fee	\$ 334
Total	\$32,300

Average Package	\$20,000*
Maximum TAP	\$ 5,000*
Average TAP	\$ 2,200*
Maximum Pell	\$ 5,350
Average Pell	\$ 2,500*

**represents an average of Roberts students who receive aid, without parent loans.*

Federal Stafford Loans: 2009-10

Freshman	\$5,500
Sophomore	\$6,500
Junior	\$7,500
Senior	\$7,500

94% of Roberts students receive Financial Aid

Information effective Fall 2009

Should any questions arise,
please contact the Office of Financial Aid at:
Roberts Wesleyan College
2301 Westside Drive, Rochester, NY 14624-1997
585.594.6150 or 800.777.4RWC
www.roberts.edu finaid@roberts.edu

For more information on Financial Aid, visit:
www.finaid.com

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